



ROCKY MOUNTAIN COORDINATING GROUP

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To: Participating Agencies
From: Rocky Mountain Coordinating Group (RMCG)
Subject: **Recruitment for Rocky Mountain Area IMT's**

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Information

The Rocky Mountain Area (RMA) hosts one interagency Type 1, and three interagency Type 2 Incident Management Teams (IMT's). These teams manage high complexity incidents; the teams consist of the most experienced incident management personnel. Although their primary incident response is wildfire, the teams may respond to all-risk incidents such as hurricanes, floods, or other national emergencies.

Rocky Mountain Area IMT's are managed by the RMCG under the Operations Committee Operating Guide, as well as the National and RMA Mob Guides. Rotation and dispatching will be coordinated by the Rocky Mountain Area Interagency Coordination Center (RMCC).

Recruitment Intent

The RMA is recruiting to fill IMT members and trainees for the Type I, and all three Type II IMT's. Incident Commanders are selected for three year tenures along with other team positions. All teams will begin a new three year roster rotation in 2012.

The intent of this recruitment is to identify all interested individuals who have a desire, commitment and agency support to build additional capacity to ensure the RMA has viable IMT capability in the future.

Team Selection Considerations

Applicants will be selected based upon RMA position needs and interagency priorities. Additionally, applicants must be rostered in and mobilized through the Resource Ordering and Status System (ROSS). Selection priority will be: 1st - RMA agency applicants, 2nd – Out-of-RMA agency applicants, 3rd – RMA AD's, 4th – Out-of-RMA AD's.

The following considerations will be used for the three (3) year team selections:

- Agency/Cooperator over AD
- In-area resource over out-of-area resource
- Diversity of representation on teams (Interagency Concept)
- Training and or position advancement based upon needs of the RMA
- Six years of commitment (two consecutive rotations) at any one position

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- Team Dynamics

The RMA will strive to maintain an interagency mix of participation. All things being equal (training, experience, team dynamics), agency personnel will be considered over AD's and resources within the RMA will be considered over outside area resources.

Teams and Incident Commanders

The Rocky Mountain Area Incident Commanders for the 2012-2014 rotation are listed below:

IMT1 (National)

Bill Hahnenberg

IMT2 (RMA)

Todd Richardson-Team A

Todd Pechota-Team B

Joe Lowe-Team C

Documents

A copy of this memo and an RMA IMT application form is posted on the web at: <http://gacc.nifc.gov/rmcc/> under "Other Fire News".

Positions Available

Each of the four IMT's will be developing their rosters for a three (3) year commitment beginning in the spring of 2012. All interested individuals are encouraged to apply.

Trainees

We are encouraging everyone in the fire community in need of on-the-job training to apply and be identified as a trainee. ***Applicants may apply for trainee positions in which they have been issued a task-book, including positions not identified as part of a primary team roster.*** Trainees assigned to a team will be expected to be available to respond whenever the team is assigned. Upon successful completion of their training, the trainee will be recommended for certification by their agency, and a new trainee will be selected for the team. When certified, the individual is encouraged to submit an application to support the IMT program.

Application Instructions

Please complete the RMA IMT application form found at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/rmcc/>.

Print a copy of the completed application. Have your application signed by your immediate supervisor and local fire management (i.e. FMO/Unit Fire Staff/Fire Chief).

Include a copy of your current Incident Training and Experience Record (IQCS/IQS) or current official Incident Qualifications Card showing certification for the position(s) for which you are applying. **Submit completed application by mail to your sponsoring agency's Operations Committee Representative (listed below) by November 15, 2011.**

Non-federal applicant cooperators should submit their application to the Operations Committee State Representative for the state in which they reside. Applicants outside of the RMA should coordinate with their Geographical Area's Operations Committee Chair and submit their application to the RMA Operations Committee Chair, LaVerne Hermanson. Questions should be directed to your Operations Committee Representative.

Team Roster vacancies will be finalized by February 1, 2011 and Incident Commanders will notify selected individuals.

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